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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No.:	10/529,330)	Examiner:	D. Nobile
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Title	METHOD FOR LOGGING IN A TERMINAL AT AN ACCESS POINT OF A LOCAL COMMUNICATION NETWORK			

Commissioner For Patents
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Sir:

REPLY BRIEF

This reply brief is in response to Examiner's Answer of December 21, 2010.

On page 14 of the Examiner's Answer the Examiner states "Irvin is only used to teach sending a artificially high signal level as a parameter in a transmit power feedback control loop to a mobile device to force it to transmit at a lower power level (col 3, line6-27; col. 4 lines 62-65)". But clearly Irvin's lower power level is higher than a power level to prevent evesdropping. The Examiner ignores that Irvin's lower power level still allows the terminal, which is a cellular telephone, to communicate with a tower which is outside a near field. This would not prevent evesdropping and thus teaches away from Applicant.

Applicant respectfully submits that a mere teaching that the power level is lowered does not teach or suggest to lower the power level to the point that that the communication between the mobile terminal and the local communication network is enabled exclusively within a near field of the access point to prevent evesdropping. Moreover the combination of Cotton (USPN 6148205) [Cotton] in view of IEEE Standard 802.15.1-2002 [IEEE-802.15] in further view of Irvin (USPN 6,029,074) [Irvin] as well as the combination of Cotton in view of IEEE-802.15, Irvin and Juurikko (US 2003/0003868) does not teach or suggest that the power level is lowered to the point that that the communication between the mobile terminal and the local communication network is enabled exclusively within a near field of the access point to prevent evesdropping

For at the reasons provided in Appellant's previously filed Second Appeal Brief and in this Reply Brief, Appellants respectfully submit that the rejections set forth are inapplicable to the pending claims. The honorable Board is therefore respectfully requested to reverse the final rejection of the Examiner and to remand the application to the Examiner with instructions to allow the pending claims.

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